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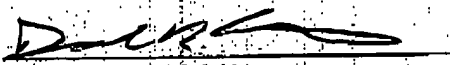
Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 19, 2002, Applicant hereby elects Group I, on which claims 1-3, drawn to a semiconductor device, are readable thereon.

In view of the foregoing election, examination on the merits is earnestly solicited and indication of allowance of at least the elected Group is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe a conference would be of benefit in expediting the prosecution of the instant application, he is hereby invited to telephone counsel to arrange such a conference.

Respectfully submitted,


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